

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

ELECTORAL ROLLS – Summary Revision of Photo Electoral Rolls with reference to 01.01.2010 as the qualifying date – Filling up of vacant posts and ban on transfers and postings of key Government officials connected with Revision of Photo Electoral Rolls, 2010 – Orders - Issued

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION (ELECTIONS.E) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No. 2382

Dated: 14th May, 2010.

Read the following:-

1. Govt.Letter No.429/Elecs.E/A2/2010-1, dt.02.03.2010
2. From the E.C.I. Lr.No.23/AP/2010/886, Dt.17.03.2010..
3. Govt.Lr.No.12/Elecs.E/A2/2010-18, Dt.25.03.2010
4. From the E.C.I. Lr.No.23/AP/2010, Dt.01.04.2010

ORDER:

The Election Commission of India vide their letters second and fourth read above has approved the schedule for Summary Revision of Photo Electoral Rolls, 2010. According to the schedule, the preliminary work has already been commenced and the data entry for corrections carried out on the existing roll through door to door verification will be completed by 15.05.2010 and the draft rolls shall be published on 28.05.2010 followed by final publication on 02.07.2010 (in 12 A.Cs where vacancies have arisen due to resignation of elected Members i.e., 1-Sirpur, 2-Chennur (S.C) & 4-Mancheril ACs of Adilabad District, 15-Yellareddy & 17-Nizamabad Urban ACs of Nizamabad District, 20-Koratla, 22-Dharmapuri (S.C), 28-Vemulawada, 29-Sircilla & 31-Huzurabad ACs of Karimnagar District, 33-Siddipet A.C. of Medak District and 105-Warangal West AC of Warangal District) and on 17.07.2010 (in the remaining 282 Assembly Constituencies).

2. The prime objective of the revision is to produce upto date and accurate photo electoral rolls with the cooperation and involvement of the electors, political parties, rural and urban local bodies, NGOs etc. This exercise requires a massive effort on the part of the electoral authorities in the State and this cannot be completed without strengthening them with adequate staff. All vacant posts of Electoral Registration Officers/Assistant Registration Officers who are involved in preparation of photo electoral rolls shall therefore be filled up immediately.

3. The provisions of Section 13CC of the Representation of the People Act, 1950 stipulate that any officer or staff employed in connection with the preparation, revision and correction of the Electoral Rolls shall be deemed to be on deputation to the Election Commission for the period during which they are so employed and such officer and staff shall, during that period, be subject to the control, superintendence and discipline of the Election Commission. Any transfer of key officials during the period of revision will adversely affect the work and the quality of revision process. The entire process has a very tight schedule within which vast amount of work has to be completed. It involves meticulous planning,

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professional management, close supervision and monitoring. It is, therefore, necessary that during the aforesaid period, the transfer of any officers engaged in this exercise should be avoided.

4. In view of the above, it is necessary that no key officials connected with the exercise of preparation of Photo Electoral Rolls like District Election Officers (all Collectors except Hyderabad and Special Commissioner, GHMC), the Electoral Registration Officers (Sub-Collectors/Revenue Divisional Officers), the Assistant Electoral Registration Officers (all Tahsildars / Municipal Commissioners) and Booth Level Officers should be disturbed from their places of posting without prior concurrence of the Election Commission from the commencement of the work till its completion.

5. The District Revenue Officers at district level are playing key role in preparation of electoral roll and supervising the preparation of rolls and conducting meetings with the field level authorities. They also act as Coordinating Officers for attending to preparation of photo electoral rolls and issue of EPICs.

6. Further, in order to strengthen the functioning of the Electoral Registration Authorities, it is necessary to fill up all the vacant posts, if any, of the categories mentioned in paras 4 & 5 above connected with the preparation of photo electoral rolls.

7. Accordingly, the Government hereby order that all officials connected with the preparation of photo electoral rolls of Assembly Constituencies i.e. all Officers and staff of the office of the Chief Electoral Officer, General Administration (Elections) Department, all District Election Officers viz., All District Collectors (except Hyderabad) and Special Commissioner, GHMC in case of Hyderabad, District Revenue Officers, Electoral Registration Officers (All Sub-Collectors/Revenue Divisional Officers), Assistant Electoral Registration Officers (Tahsildars / Municipal Commissioners), Panchayat Secretaries, and other officials appointed as Booth Level Officers should not be disturbed from their place of posting from the date of issue of this order without prior concurrence of the Election Commission of India till date of final publication of Photo Electoral Rolls i.e., 17.07.2010.

8. In case, it becomes absolutely necessary to make any transfer of the above key election officers connected with the revision of photo electoral rolls or there is any need for shifting of officers due to their promotion etc., the Election Commission would consider the same on merits on a case to case basis. In case of Booth Level Officers, when it becomes absolutely necessary to make any transfer of the Booth Level Officers during the revision period or there is any need for shifting of officers due to their promotion etc., the Chief Electoral Officer would consider the same on merits on a case to case basis. Proposal should be sent to Commission through Office of the Chief Electoral Officer giving detailed and full justification for the same.

9. The authorities noted in the address entry (General Administration, Revenue, Municipal Administration and Panchayat Raj Departments) are requested to fill up all the vacant posts, if any, of the officials who are acting as District Election Officers (Collectors), Electoral Registration Officers (Sub-

Collectors / Revenue Divisional Officers) or Assistant Electoral Registration Officers (Tahsildars / Municipal Commissioners), immediately.

10. The Collectors & District Election Officers (except Hyderabad) and Special Commissioner, Greater Hyderabad Municipal Corporation & District Election Officer, Hyderabad are requested to take further necessary action in the matter on top priority.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

S.V.PRASAD,
CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
The General Administration (SPl. A) Department
The General Administration (OP.I) Department
The General Administration (OP.V)Department
The General Administration (SC-F) Department
The Revenue Department
The Panchayat Raj & Rural Development Department
The Municipal Administration & Urban Development Department
The Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, A.P. Hyderabad
The Commissioner, Panchayat Raj Department, Hyderabad
The Commissioner & Director, Municipal Administration Department, Hyderabad
All Collectors & District Election Officers (except Hyderabad)
The Special Commissioner, Greater Hyderabad Municipal Corporation & District Election Officer, Hyderabad.

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